PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Bobernor of the State of Texas

41-2560

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14 of the Texas Constitution, I, Ann W. Richards, Governor of Texas, do hereby veto H.B. 372 because of the following objections:

This bill would allow hospitals in cities over 50,000 population to commission peace officers for the protection of the hospital. The bill would allow both public and private hospitals of any size to commission peace officers, and does not specify whether the governing board, management, or what entity would be responsible for commissioning the officers. In addition, the public safety would be better served if these hospitals would coordinate their efforts with local law enforcement agencies rather than commissioning peace officers themselves.

The Secretary of State will take notice of this action and will notify the members of the Legislature.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and cause the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this day of June, 1993.

Ann W. Richards Governor of Pexas

FILE TO COMMITTEE STATE

5:30 p.m. noting

Secretary of State